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Postal Regulatory Commission  
901 New York Avenue NW, Suite 200  
Washington, DC 20268-0001

RE: Ten-Year Rate System Review, Docket No. RM 2017-3

Dear Commissioners:

Guided by our vision to foster the most successful, well-adjusted generation of wounded veterans in our nation's history, Wounded Warrior Project delivers life-changing programs and services to veterans who have been injured in mind and body since 9/11. On behalf of those we serve and those who support our mission, I wish to ask that you keep the nonprofit rate as low as reasonably possible – and, in any event, not to increase this rate by more than the consumer price index ("CPI").

Nonprofit postage rates directly affect our mission to honor and empower wounded warriors. We use the mail to reach the warriors that we serve and also to reach the generous donors who fuel our programs and services. The more we spend on postage, the less we have remaining to offer critical programs and services for wounded warriors, service members, their families, and their caregivers.

Wounded Warrior Project's programs and services fill critical gaps where government programs leave off. There are no dues for what we offer – those were paid by wearing the uniform and on the battlefield. Wounded Warrior Project does not receive any public funding, and we rely instead on the generosity of a grateful nation.

This month, Wounded Warrior Project registered its 100,000th warrior; over the past three months alone, we have registered 3,830 warriors and family members. These numbers demonstrate that the need for services is great and growing. Given this need, it is imperative that we keep mail costs to a minimum and maximize our efforts to connect, serve, and empower the population we serve.

Sincerely,



Lt. Gen. Michael S. Linnington (Ret.)  
Chief Executive Officer

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